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TAY System of Care Bureau Newsletter

COVERED CALIFORNIA

On October 1, 2013, Covered California launched their enrollment website for health coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). During the most recent open enrollment period (November 15, 2014 through February 15, 2015, Covered California reported that approximately 474,000 new enrollees purchased health coverage plans. In Los Angeles County, over 81,000 new enrollees selected health coverage plans. Through Covered California, an additional 779,000 individuals enrolled in Medi-Cal during this same enrollment period.

Covered California Enrollment for Los Angeles County:

New Enrollment 2015 (through February 2, 2015)	
Enrollees	% of Total (State) Enrollment
81,321	28.2%

Under ACA, Medi-Cal coverage expanded in 2014. Eligibility is now based on income and enrollment for Medi-Cal is open all year. Anyone can apply for Medi-Cal through Covered California's enrollment website, at a local Department of Public Social Services office, or over the telephone by calling (800) 300-1506.

(retrieved 2/26/15, www.coveredca.com)

PROFILE OF AFFORDABLE CARE ACT COVERAGE EXPANSION ENROLLMENT FOR MEDICAID / CHIP AND THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE 10-1-2013 TO 3-31-2014 California

CHARACTERISTICS OF MARKETPLACE PLAN SELECTIONS:

By Age:	Number	% of Total
Age < 18	73,566	5%
Age 18-25	160,833	11%
Age 26-34	235,729	17%
Age 35-44	238,218	17%
Age 45-54	342,718	24%
Age 55-64	345,725	25%
Age ≥ 65	8,313	1%
Subtotal With Known Data	1,405,102	100%
Unknown	N/A	N/A
Ages 18 to 34	396,562	28%
Ages 0 to 34	470,128	33%

Sources: ASPE Marketplace Summary Enrollment Report and CMS March Medicaid/CHIP Enrollment Report

Here we go again . . . Daniel's Place Drop-In Center

Daniel's Place Drop-In Center

1619 Santa Monica Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA

The Drop-In Centers funded with MHSA Community Services and Supports (CSS) funds were created to ensure welcoming and safe places where TAY can go to get off the streets, interact with others their own age, and when ready, get access to services and supports that help them achieve hope, wellness, and self-sufficiency.



Currently there are two Drop-In Centers: The Hope Center (Pacific Clinics) in the city of Irwindale and Youth Center on Highland (Los Angeles LGBT Center) in the city of Los Angeles. Through MHSA-funding, LA County DMH continues to grow and expand services and supports for TAY. Our most recent addition is Daniel's Place Drop-In Center (Step Up on Second Street, Inc.), which is located in the city of Santa Monica, will now be providing extended hours of operation and thus increasing access to basic supports. "Daniel's Place provides comprehensive psycho-social rehabilitation programs, services, and assistance including: service coordination, life skills coaching, supported employment training and placement, psychiatrists for medication support, transportation, computer training art studio, socialization, money management assistance, and educational programs."

Source: <http://www.stepuponsecond.org/services/help/>

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**TAY
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Building Healthy Communities Through Engagement, Advocacy, and Empowerment

May 18, 2015

Registration Forms Coming Soon!

**Presented by: County of Los Angeles Department of
Mental Health Transition Age Youth System of Care
Bureau**

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Announcements

Suicide Prevention

The Partners in Suicide Prevention (PSP) Team for Children, Transition Age Youth (TAY), Adults, and Older Adults is funded by the Mental Health Service Act (MHSA). This program is designed to increase public awareness of suicide and reduce stigma associated with seeking mental health and substance abuse services.

Trainings have been provided in an array of settings including: Los Angeles County departments, colleges, shelters, faith based communities, community mental health agencies and direct service providers. Our goal is to average 16 trainings per month.

For additional information or trainings, please contact Karon Austin, LCSW, TAY Division, at 213-351-7788 or William Barreto, MPA, TAY Division, at 213-351-7797.

Anti-Stigma and Discrimination

The Countywide Anti-Stigma and Discrimination (ASD) Team is a Prevention and Early Intervention Program. Its mission is to increase public awareness, social acceptance, and inclusion of people with mental health challenges. ASD outreach activities include presentations, group sessions with dialogue, and activities to encourage access to mental health services.

TAY Mobile Resource Library

The mobile library provides information regarding mental health, housing resources, health services, crisis counseling, alcohol and drug counseling, GED preparation, social skills training, job readiness and job placement services. The mobile library can be set up in directly operated and community agencies on a rotating basis.

For additional information on ASD trainings and the mobile library please contact Doralee Bridges, TAY Division, at 213-351-5225.

CONGRATULATIONS!

In November 2014 Terri Boykins, LCSW was promoted to Deputy Director for the Transition Age Youth System of Care Bureau.

"Terri brings a wealth of experience to the TAY Bureau. In 2008, she became the TAY District Chief, helping to develop the vision and programs for what was a new bureau within DMH. After the retirement of Sandra Thomas, former Deputy Director, Terri stepped forward to ensure the work of the bureau continued without interruption. She is highly knowledgeable about the challenges and issues facing young adults, and she is an indefatigable champion for TAY programs."

Source: Dr. Marvin Southard